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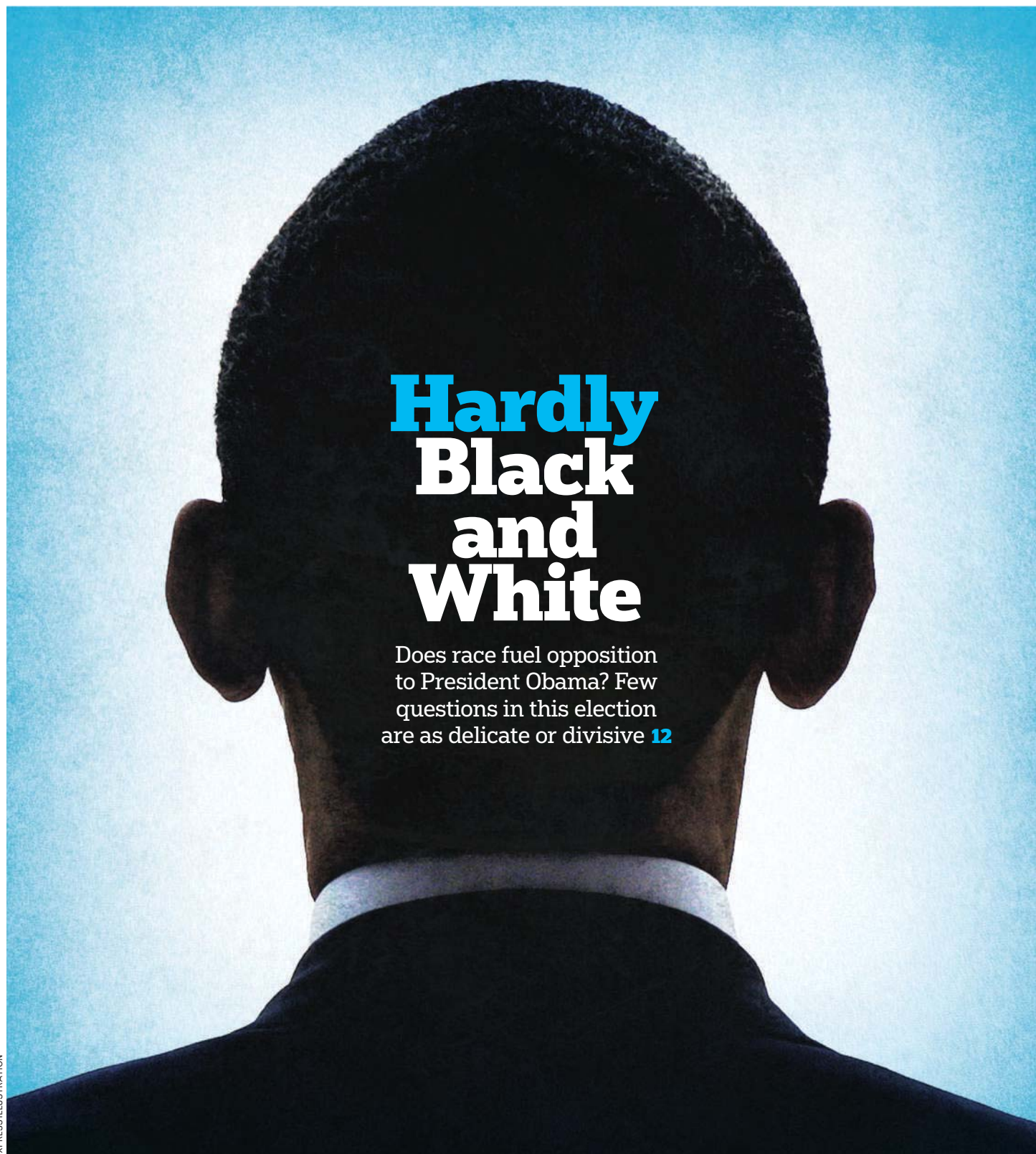


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INCENTIVES

This Certainly Overshadows The Perks at Your Car Wash

Police officers busted a car wash in Malaysia because they say it was allegedly offering its customers free sex after the ninth car wash. Officers discovered that a car wash near Kuala Lumpur had a partnership with a massage parlor, and they were tipped off when they raided the parlor and found several car-wash cards there, the Sun News reported Tuesday. (EXPRESS)

“You don’t tell your in-laws over dinner, ‘I’m really happy with my lumberjack murder diorama. Could you please pass the potatoes?’”

— ABIGAIL GOLDMAN, A CRIME REPORTER FOR THE LAS VEGAS SUN WHO HAS CREATED AND SOLD 35 “DIE-O-RAMAS” DEPICTING MURDERS, UPI REPORTED MONDAY.

TRANSCRIPT

‘Bob, You Scream Like a Girl. AND You Killed the Only One.’

Commuters expecting a \$15.1 million highway construction project to wrap up in San Antonio, Texas, may have to keep waiting. Redorbit.com reported Monday that the project was halted after a Braken Bat Cave Meshweaver spider, endangered since 2000, was found in a 6-foot-deep natural hole in a highway median. Scientists dissected the spider for confirmation. No other meshweavers have been spotted in the area since. (EXPRESS)

The Big Picture

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SLIP-AND-SLIDE POLO TAKES OFF: Polo player Rob Brockett and his horse Pachu tumble in the surf as they practice on the beach Monday ahead of a beach polo match in Newquay, England. Organizers say the aim of the event, which is one of only a handful of regular polo matches played on a beach, is to bring polo to a wider audience and blend the glamour of the sport with the raw beauty of the region.

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A New Phase for 9/11 Anniversary

11 years after attacks, Americans scale back remembrances

New York

There were still the tearful messages to loved ones, clutches of photos and flowers, and moments of silence. But 11 years after Sept. 11, Americans appeared to enter a new, scaled-back chapter of collective mourning for the worst terror attack in U.S. history.

Crowds gathered, as always, at the World Trade Center site in New York, the Pentagon and a Pennsylvania memorial Tuesday to mourn the nearly 3,000 victims of the 2001 terror attacks. But they came in fewer numbers, ceremonies were less elaborate and some cities canceled their remembrances altogether. A year after the milestone 10th anniversary, some said the memorials may have reached an emotional turning point.

"It's human nature, so people move on," said Wanda Ortiz, of New York City, whose husband, Emilio Ortiz, was killed in the trade cen-



In Arlington, on Tuesday, Chin Yong Wells wipes his eyes as he remembers his sister, Chin Sun Wells, who was killed on Sept. 11, 2001, at the Pentagon.



A man adjusts an American flag Tuesday at the World Trade Center site in New York.

ter's north tower.

It was also a year when politicians largely took a back seat to grieving families; no elected officials spoke at all at New York's 3½-hour ceremony. President Barack Obama and Republican Mitt Romney pulled negative campaign ads and avoided rallies, with the president laying a wreath at the Pentagon ceremony and visiting wounded soldiers at a Maryland hospital.

At the Pentagon, Obama recalled the horror of the attacks, declaring, "Our country is safer and our people are resilient."

Vice President Joe Biden remembered the 40 victims of the plane that crashed in a field south of Pittsburgh. "Today is just as monumental a day for all of you ... as any Sept. 11 has ever been," he said.

In Norfolk, Va., sailors and Marines aboard the USS New York, a warship forged with 7.5 tons of steel salvaged from the trade center, observed moments of silence.

"The spirit here is really about what happened the next day and the next day and every day since," said Capt. John Kreitz, the ship's commanding officer. JENNIFER PELTZ (AP)

In Brief

HOUSTON

U.S. Marshals Capture Man Who Fled Trial



McGowen

Eric McGowen, 20, who fled his trial a day before being convicted and sentenced in the repeated group sexual assault of an 11-year-old Southeast Texas girl, was captured Tuesday after being a fugitive for nearly two weeks, authorities said. (AP)

NEWARK, N.J.

Woman Denies Causing Penis-Injection Death

Kasia Rivera of New Jersey pleaded not guilty Tuesday to reckless manslaughter in the case of a man who died after having his penis injected with silicone. Rivera, who performed the procedures in her apartment, gave a silicone shot to Justin Street's penis in May, prosecutors said. Street, 22, died the next day. (AP)

MINNEAPOLIS

Woman Loses Music Downloading Appeal

A Minnesota woman accused of sharing songs online owes record companies \$222,000 for willful copyright violations, a federal appeals court said Tuesday, reversing a lower court's ruling for Jammie Thomas-Rasset in a long-running lawsuit over music downloading. (AP)



Bus Monitor Benefactors: A New York bus monitor who was relentlessly bullied by four middle-school students has received more than \$700,000 raised by a Canadian man. A spokeswoman for the fundraising site Indiegogo gave Karen Klein, 68, the check at a ceremony Tuesday in Toronto and said more than 30,000 people from 84 countries contributed to the fund. Their sympathies were stirred by a cellphone video of the June taunting. (AP)



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Union: Striking Teachers Not Close to a Deal

Chicago

Negotiators were back behind closed doors Tuesday on the second day of Chicago's teachers strike, but publicly, the teachers union and school board couldn't even agree on whether they were close to a deal.

The union issued a statement at midday saying negotiators had returned to the bargaining table and were discussing one of the most serious remaining issues, a

new teacher evaluation system. But the union said it had signed off on only six of 48 articles in the contract and that the two sides had "a considerable way to go."

"To say that this contract will be settled today is lunacy," union President Karen Lewis said.

School board officials have repeatedly described the two sides as being close and suggested bargaining could be wrapped up quickly with agreements on the evalua-



Teachers picket Tuesday in front of the Chicago Public Schools headquarters.

tions and a dispute about the recall of teachers who lose their jobs.

Earlier, Mayor Rahm Emanuel reiterated his belief that the strike could have been avoided.

"I don't think downtown should be in the business of selecting teachers that the local school principal should select if you're going to hold them accountable," Emanuel said, as several hundred protesting teachers chanted and banged on drums. JASON KEYSER (AP)

\$104M

The amount the Internal Revenue Service awarded to an ex-banker for information about overseas tax cheats — the largest amount ever awarded by the agency, lawyers for the whistleblower announced Tuesday. Former Swiss banker Bradley Birkenfeld is credited with exposing widespread tax evasion at Swiss bank UBS AG. Birkenfeld served roughly two and a half years in prison for charges related to the case. (AP)



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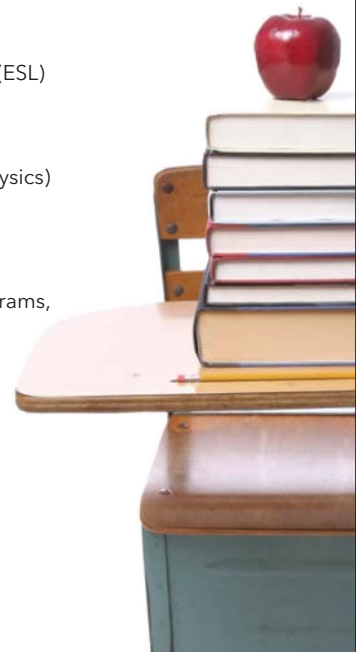
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World

In Brief

BEIJING

Standoff With Japan Over Islands Intensifies

A territorial flare-up between China and Japan intensified Tuesday as two Beijing-sent patrol ships arrived near disputed East China Sea islands in a show of anger over Tokyo's purchase of outcroppings. The islands have been the focus of recurring spats between the two and also are claimed by Taiwan. (AP)

KABUL, AFGHANISTAN

Militants Attack Base

Insurgents bombarded a U.S. base and destroyed a NATO helicopter, killing three Afghan intelligence employees, officials said Tuesday. There were also NATO personnel aboard and wounded, the coalition said. (AP)

HONG KONG

Occupy Camp Removed

One of the Occupy movement's oldest encampments came to a chaotic end Tuesday in Hong Kong as bailiffs cleared out the activists from a site underneath HSBC's Asian headquarters. The camp started Oct. 15 and had as many as 100 anti-capitalist activists at its peak. (AP)

Egyptians Storm U.S. Embassy

Crowd climbs walls, destroys flag in light of anti-Muslim film

Cairo

Mainly ultraconservative Islamist protesters climbed the walls of the U.S. Embassy in Egypt's capital Tuesday and brought down the American flag, replacing it with a black flag with an Islamic inscription to protest a video attacking Islam's prophet, Muhammad.

Hundreds of protesters marched to the embassy in Cairo, gathering outside its walls and chanting against the movie, which was reportedly produced in the U.S.

"Say it, don't fear: Their ambassador must leave," the crowd chanted.

Dozens of protesters then scaled the embassy walls, and several went into the courtyard and took down



Egyptian protesters breach the walls of the U.S. Embassy in Cairo on Tuesday.

the flag from a pole. They brought it back to the crowd outside, which tried to burn it, but instead tore it apart. The protesters then raised a black flag on the flagpole.

The flag, similar to the banner

used by al-Qaeda, is commonly used by ultraconservatives around the region. Almost all the embassy staff had left the compound before the protest, and the ambassador was out of town.

Backstory

Muslims find it offensive to depict Muhammad in any fashion, much less in an insulting way. The 2005 publication of 12 caricatures in a Danish newspaper triggered riots in many Muslim countries. (AP)

The protest was sparked by a video being promoted by an extreme anti-Muslim Egyptian Christian campaigner. The video depicts Muhammad as a fraud, showing him having sex and calling for massacres.

It was not exactly clear who made the video that angered the protesters.

Armed men also stormed the U.S. consulate in Benghazi, Libya, and set it ablaze in a protest over the video, a Libyan Interior Ministry official said. MAGGIE MICHAEL AND SARAH EL DEEB (AP)



Mammoth Potential: Scientists have discovered well-preserved frozen woolly mammoth fragments deep in Siberia that may contain living cells, edging a tad closer to the "Jurassic Park" possibility of cloning a prehistoric animal, the mission's organizer said Tuesday. Russia's North-Eastern Federal University said researchers had discovered mammoth hair, soft tissues and bone marrow in the province of Yakutia during a summer expedition. (AP)

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World

Jolie Visits Syrians in Call for Refugee Aid

Zaatari, Jordan

Her eyes welling with tears, actress Angelina Jolie said she heard "horrific" and "heartbreaking" accounts from Syrian refugees she met Tuesday during a visit to a camp in Jordan that has provided shelter for those fleeing the civil war in the neighboring country.

The Hollywood star, who is also the U.N. refugee agency's special envoy, spoke after meeting female

refugees at the Zaatari camp, which hosts about 30,000 Syrians displaced by the 18-month conflict.

"I am very concerned, the world is very concerned," Jolie said during a visit aimed at focusing international attention on the plight of Syrian refugees. "What is very heartbreaking is when Syrian people ask you why you think no one is able to find a solution for them."

Hundreds of thousands of Syrians have fled the chaos as an upris-

Meanwhile ...

The Lebanese army freed four Syrian hostages late Monday who were abducted last month by a powerful Shiite Muslim clan, the military said Tuesday. The al-Mikdad clan kidnapped more than 20 Syrian nationals and a Turk in Lebanon in August in retaliation for the abduction of a relative in neighboring Syria. Most already had been released. (AP)

ing against President Bashar Assad has become increasingly violent, with activists saying at least 23,000 people have died since the conflict began in March 2011.

In Geneva, the U.N.'s refugee agency said Tuesday that while it has 253,106 people registered or awaiting registration as Syrian refugees, the real number is likely far higher since tens of thousands are believed to have not yet registered. (AP)

Hearsay

"The world tells Israel, 'Wait. There's still time.' And I say: 'Wait for what? Wait until when?'"

— **BENJAMIN NETANYAHU**, ISRAEL'S PREMIER, EXPRESSING FRUSTRATION TUESDAY WITH U.S. RELUCTANCE TO SPELL OUT WHAT IT WOULD TAKE FOR MILITARY ACTION AGAINST TEHRAN FOR IRAN'S DISPUTED NUCLEAR PROGRAM

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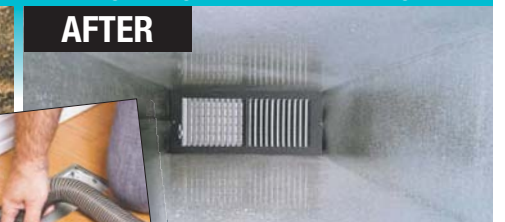
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Major League Role in Metro Flap?

Councilman hints why Nats are not paying to extend train hours

Washington

It's been three weeks since Metro-riding fans were stranded after a rain-delayed 13-inning game at Nationals Park, highlighting the Washington Nationals' refusal to pony up the approximately \$30,000 deposit required to keep trains running late.

Since then, the issue has stayed mostly out of the news, but discussions have continued behind the scenes. And in a NewsChannel

8 interview Monday, D.C. Council member Jack Evans, D-Ward 2, suggested the bosses at Major League Baseball, rather than the Nationals and owner Ted Lerner, are behind the impasse.

"From the Nationals' point of view, it's more Major League Baseball," Evans said, citing discussions with team officials. "Major League Baseball has made it clear that in no city in the country does the team have to pick up the tab for games that go beyond."

The league, Evans added, "is quite concerned about a precedent being set in this city that will carry out [to other cities] ... Major League Baseball plays a bigger role in the



It would require a deposit of about \$30,000 to run Metro late after games.

background than people understand, and I think that's something we have to work on."

Pat Courtney, a spokesman for Major League Baseball, said there's "not a policy per se" regarding how teams deal with transit costs. "We just never have [been] faced with [a] situation like this before," he said. Without detailing the role the league has played in the issue, Courtney said the Nationals are "seeking a solution" to the issue.

The Nationals offered this statement Monday: "There are a number of parties involved in these discussions and we are looking into all options, which is typical of any organization that is beginning to plan for a potentially large event that can positively impact the city."

MIKE DEBONIS (THE WASHINGTON POST)



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WASHINGTON

Councilman: \$110,000 Missing From Campaign

Brown

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CAPITOL HEIGHTS, MD.

Teen Fatally Shot While Walking to School in Md.

Prince George's County police say a high-school student was fatally shot while walking to school at about 7 a.m. Tuesday on Old Central Avenue in Capitol Heights. Officers arrived to find 18-year-old Marckel Norman Ross shot and killed. Detectives canvassed the neighborhood, and a police spokeswoman said officers knew of no motive. The principal at Central High School said Ross was an 11th grader, a strong student and bright spirit. (AP)

The Lotteries

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Maryland

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5 Sentenced in '10 D.C. Shootings

Spate of violence left 5 dead, began after bracelet went missing

Washington

Five men convicted of murder in a series of March 2010 shootings that marked one of the District's deadliest outbreaks of violence in decades were handed lengthy prison sentences Tuesday in D.C. Superior Court.

The government had asked for sentences that would effectively put the men in prison for the rest of their lives.

Shortly after 3 p.m. Tuesday,



From left: Lamar Williams, Jeffrey Best, Robert Bost, Orlando Carter and Sanquan Carter were sentenced Tuesday for a series of murders in 2010.

Judge Ronna Beck read the sentences: For Orlando Carter, Jeffrey Best and Robert Bost, life without the possibility of release; for Orlando's younger brother Sanquan, 54 years; and for Lamar Williams, 30 years.

More than a dozen family members of the five young people killed in the violence spoke, and many urged the maximum sentence for the group.

More than half dozen people were wounded in the shootings, which began over a missing bracelet, a piece of costume jewelry.

"I'm sympathetic to the many people affected by these horrific crimes," Beck said during a short statement.

After she detailed the crimes, she concluded: "There is no need to be concerned that the jury got it wrong."

A jury found the men responsible for a series of shootings that culminated in a drive-by shooting just a few miles south of the U.S. Capitol.

In May, after a two-month trial and more than eight days of deliberations in D.C. Superior Court, a jury found the Carter brothers, Best, Bost and Williams guilty of murder and a range of other offenses. (THE WASHINGTON POST/AP)

Still Going Army Strong



SARAH LVOISIN/TWP

VETERAN ALYCE DIXON CELEBRATED HER 105TH BIRTHDAY

on Tuesday at the Veterans Administration Community Living Center in Washington, D.C., where she has lived for more than 10 years. Dixon was among the first African-American women to serve in the Army. | postlocal.com

AU Professor's Nursing In Class Sparks Debate

Washington

One day late last month at American University, Adrienne Pine was in a jam. The assistant anthropology professor was scheduled to begin her course "Sex, Gender & Culture." But her baby daughter woke up with a fever, and the single mother worried that she had no good child-care options. So Pine brought her sick baby to class.

When the baby grew restless during the 75-minute afternoon session with 40 students, according to the professor's account, Pine breastfed her while continuing to lecture and review the syllabus.

At the conclusion of her lecture, Pine figured that was the end of it. But word of the unusual opening-day class was spreading.

She decided to get in the first word with an online essay titled "The Dialectics of Breastfeeding

on Campus: Exposing my Breasts on the Internet." In it, Pine wrote that she was "shocked and annoyed that this would be considered newsworthy."

Now the campus community is debating whether the professor did the right thing by bringing her sick baby to the Aug. 28 class and breast-feeding her. They also are questioning her response.

On Tuesday, university officials issued a statement that appeared to convey disapproval.

"For the sake of the child and the public health of the campus community, when faced with the challenge of caring for a sick child in the case where backup childcare is not available, a faculty member should take earned leave and arrange for someone else to cover the class, not bring a sick child into the classroom," the statement said.

NICK ANDERSON (THE WASHINGTON POST)



Orchestra for Everyone: The National Symphony Orchestra will offer free community concerts in Washington's U Street, Shaw and Logan Circle neighborhoods for part of January, performing in local theaters, schools, churches and gathering spots. The orchestra announced plans Tuesday for an opening event Jan. 8, at the newly reopened Howard Theatre. (AP)

Cover Story



Posters depicting President Barack Obama as the Joker, Batman's nemesis, first surfaced in 2009 and have been returning.

Racially Charged

As the election nears, anti-Obama rhetoric renews accusations of bigotry

Campaign 2012

Is it because he's black?

The question of whether race fuels opposition to President Barack Obama has become one of the most divisive topics of the election. It is sowing anger and frustration among conservatives who are labeled racist simply for opposing Obama's policies and liberals who see no other explanation for such deep dislike of the president.

It is an accusation almost impossible to prove, yet it remains inseparable from the African-American experience. The idea, which seemed to die in 2008 when Obama became the first black president, is now rearing its head from college campuses to cable TV as the Democratic incumbent faces Mitt Romney, the white Republican challenger.

Four years after an election that inspired hopes of a post-racial future, there are signs that political passions are dragging us backward.

"We're at a tipping point," said Susan Glisson, director of the Institute for Racial Reconciliation at the University of Mississippi. "But I don't know which way we're going to tip."

Glisson, who is white, knows that many white conservatives disagree with Obama solely because of his policies. "But I am also quite certain that there are others who object to the president because of his race, because they have a fear of blacks that is embedded in our

culture," she said.

Her conclusion is based on something called "implicit bias"—prejudices that people don't realize they have.

"Our history has created this unconscious bias," said Gail Christopher of the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, which has funded research on the subject. "Now we need to create safe places to discuss and educate people about unconscious bias, where we are not blaming and shaming them."

Those safe places generally do not include the political arena.

Dan Joseph, a 33-year-old white conservative from Northern Vir-

Sounding Off

"Things have changed a lot since the 1980s ... You get in the real world, and I just don't see it. I know I'm not a racist, and the conservatives I know aren't racist."

— DAN JOSEPH, A WHITE VIDEO JOURNALIST FOR A CONSERVATIVE MEDIA GROUP, WHO REJECTS THE NOTION OF UNCONSCIOUS BIAS, THAT AMERICA REMAINS AFFLICTED BY A RACIST PAST

"There unquestionably is racism in some of the opposition. And it should not just be up to black people to identify it and have to deal with it. This is an American problem. It's not just a black problem."

— COURTLAND MILLOY, A BLACK COLUMNIST FOR THE WASHINGTON POST, WHO IN A RECENT DISPATCH DESCRIBED A WIDESPREAD BELIEF AMONG SOME BLACK WASHINGTONIANS THAT REPUBLICANS ARE USING RACE AGAINST PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA

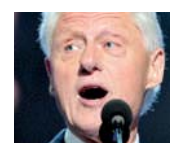
National Spotlight



► **At their convention, Republicans** made sure to showcase GOP diversity with speeches by black and Latino conservatives, including Condoleezza Rice, pictured. Two attendees who threw peanuts at a black camerawoman while commenting "this is what we feed animals" were swiftly ejected and denounced by GOP organizers.



► **On television, MSNBC host Chris Matthews** unleashed an emotional rant at Republican National Committee Chairman Reince Priebus, accusing Mitt Romney of appealing to anti-black bias with welfare ads and a joke referencing claims that Barack Obama is not a U.S. citizen.



► **Former President Bill Clinton** alluded to the race issue in his speech to the Democratic convention last week: "Though I often disagree with Republicans, I actually never learned to hate them the way the far right that now controls their party seems to hate our president and a lot of other Democrats." (AP)

The Race Card



Three in ten registered voters (31 percent) believe that President Barack Obama is "using the issue of race in the election"—with 20 percent saying he is doing so inappropriately and 11 percent saying he is doing so appropriately.



Less than 1 in five (19 percent) of registered voters said Mitt Romney is using race in the campaign. (TWP)

ginia, is too young to remember past GOP appeals to racial bias, such as Richard Nixon's "Southern strategy," Ronald Reagan's "welfare queens" rhetoric and George H.W. Bush's infamous Willie Horton ad. He believes Obama should have done more to promote economic growth.

Yet Joseph is often called a racist when he discusses politics. This inspired him to film a satirical video, "Bob is a Racist" (<http://bit.ly/SrvPAW>), which lays bare the frustration of many conservatives.

Evan Woodson, a black student at Oklahoma State University, often hears other black people call something racist that he sees as benign: "People seriously act as if whiteness is still out to get them in 2012 in Stillwater, Okla. I don't think that's the case anymore."

But when it comes to politics, he sees racial transgressions from both parties, such as Vice President Joe Biden telling people that Republicans "want to put y'all back in chains."

"No matter how you cut it, politicians constantly seem to be accusing the other party of racism," Woodson said, and that prevents people from having honest conversations about actual racism. "People can't identify real racism anymore. They're lost in all the race-baiting."

JESSE WASHINGTON (AP)



The Nationals have improved by at least 10 games each year under general manager Mike Rizzo, right, but shutting down Stephen Strasburg gets more attention.



Trading Places

For Stephen Strasburg, these are strange days. From his spot on the bench, he'll watch **John Lannan** pitch in his spot Wednesday, and he'll no doubt continue to grapple with his emotions — his desire to pitch, to keep going beyond his prescribed workload and to help his team push toward a National League East title, possibly more. In two call-ups to the majors, Lannan — the Nats' opening day starter in 2009 and 2010 — went 2-0 with a 3.46 ERA. He also excelled late in the minor league season. D.T.

resigned amid controversy. The team he inherited, assembled under Bowden's watch, was headed toward its second-straight finish as baseball's worst team.

Rizzo has spent the past three-plus seasons transforming that woeful roster into the team with the best record in baseball.

"I think he's definitely 'executive of the year,'" said manager Davey Johnson. "I think he should have been last year, the year before. The draft, the trades, the things he's done ... He's an awfully good baseball man. There's no question in my mind."

In each full year of Rizzo's tenure, the club improved by at least 10 wins. This year, it could be closer to 20 games. In the clubhouse, if not in the media, players know it's Rizzo's story.

"No doubt about it," said Chad Tracy, a pinch-hitting specialist signed in the offseason and rewarded last month with a contract extension. "Rizzo is the guy who put all these guys in one room together. All the credit goes to him. Of course, it was on us to go play, but he saw the vision and he knew the character of the guys on the team. Rizzo is the man."

DEREK TURNER (FOR EXPRESS)

Lost in Strasburg's Shadow

GM Rizzo's moves to improve the Nats take a back seat to shutting down ace

The Nationals

Stephen Strasburg would have started tonight, but Mike Rizzo won't let him.

As the Nationals' general manager, Rizzo gets the final say on baseball moves, including the decision to shut down the ace right-hander in the middle of a pennant race to protect his multimillion-dollar right elbow and the organization's sizable investment in it.

Of course, others have decided, too — past and current players,

sports writers, TV and radio talk-show personalities. Most of them have decided that Rizzo is crazy.

Who benches a guy regarded as the greatest pitching prospect in generations when a World Series title, absent in this town since 1924, seems all but there for the taking?

Rizzo will not be budged. Strasburg is in his first full season back from Tommy John surgery and Rizzo considers the shutdown just another step in the rehabilitation process, the same process followed a year earlier with right-hander Jor-

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The Nationals' magic number after Monday night's action. Tuesday night's game against the Mets ended

after Express' deadline. For a full recap, see washingtonpost.com/sports.

dan Zimmermann.

Rizzo says the organization has a vast assortment of evidence — medical opinions, case studies, etc. — to support the decision. No, he will not share it.

And so the scrutiny goes on unabated, even as Rizzo implores

the media to focus on the worthy stories emanating from the Nationals' clubhouse.

"It boggles my mind," Rizzo said in a recent radio interview about the media attention. "This is a team that's 27, 28 men deep. They play terrific baseball. And they all deserve better than that."

Also lost in the nonstop coverage of the shutdown are the accolades that would be flung in the GM's direction any other year.

Rizzo assumed the job in spring training of the 2009 season when his predecessor, Jim Bowden,

"I don't know if I'm ever going to accept it. It's something that I'm not happy about at all ... You don't grow up dreaming of playing in the big leagues to get shut down when the games start to matter."

— STEPHEN STRASBURG, ON SATURDAY, AFTER HIS SEASON WAS CUT SHORT BY THE NATIONALS

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Sports



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Andy Murray is in disbelief after winning the U.S. Open title Monday.

Murray's Open Win Caps Britain's Golden Summer

Tennis

After reveling in a rousing Olympic summer of sporting success, Britain awoke Tuesday to another major milestone: Finally, after 76 years of waiting, the country has a male Grand Slam tennis champion.

Andy Murray's five-set victory over Novak Djokovic in the U.S. Open final Monday provided a bookend to a summer in which Britain's Bradley Wiggins won the Tour de France and British athletes scooped up heaps of medals at the London Olympics and Paralympics.

After losing in four previous Grand Slam finals, Murray outlasted defending champion Djokovic to become the first British man to win a major since Fred Perry captured the Wimbledon and the U.S.

"Thank God that's over. Thank God we can let Fred Perry lie easy. Thank God for Andy Murray."

— THE GUARDIAN NEWSPAPER

Championships in 1936. At last, for Britain, the "Fred Perry curse" has been broken — although until Murray wins Wimbledon, it won't be fully put to rest.

In a message posted on Twitter, Prime Minister David Cameron said he was "delighted Andy Murray is continuing a golden summer of sport by winning the U.S. Open. A truly great victory." (AP)

TV Lineup

NATIONALS (7 P.M., MASN) John Lannan pitches for the Nats in their series finale against the Mets.

ORIOLES (7 P.M., MASN2) Game 2 of the O's-Rays series.

PRO BASEBALL (7 P.M., ESPN)

The New York Yankees hope to add to the season-long woes of the Boston Red Sox.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL (7 P.M., 10 P.M., ESPN2) The Indiana Fever host the Seattle Storm, and the Connecticut Sun play the Phoenix Mercury.

SCARES

'King' Recovering



Jerry "the King" Lawler, a legend in WWE wrestling and broadcasting, was listed in stable condition Tuesday after he col-

lapsed and suffered a heart attack during a live broadcast of "Monday Night Raw" in Montreal. Though the 62-year-old Lawler occasionally wrestles, he mainly works on WWE broadcasts as a commentator. (TWP)

Capitals Bracing for a Lockout

Ovechkin among stars making plans to play overseas

Pro Hockey

Informal workouts and scrimmages in Arlington typically signify that summer is turning to fall and a new NHL season isn't far away. But while the number of Capitals on the ice grows with each passing day, there is little indication that they are preparing for anything other than a work stoppage.

Less than a week remains before the National Hockey League's current collective bargaining agreement

expires, with the owners and players' union still far apart on key economic issues. Unless the two sides can reach a resolution before 11:59 p.m. Saturday — which seems unlikely, given that they haven't held formal talks since Aug. 31 — the NHL will impose a lockout on its players for the third time in 18 years.

How long the stalemate could last is anyone's guess. The start of training camp Sept. 21 is in jeopardy, and portions of the regular season, which is scheduled to begin Oct. 11, may be as well. The NHL's last lockout resulted in the cancellation of the 2004-05 season.

Players are making preparations to find competition elsewhere. Alex

\$3.3B

The NHL negotiations hinge on how to divide the league's \$3.3 billion revenue. Under the current agreement, players receive 57 percent of hockey-related revenue. In the NHL's most recent proposal, that number drops to 46 percent and the owners would redefine what constitutes hockey-related revenue. According to the players' union, that plan would amount to a 19.3 percent cut to the players' share. To end the last lockout, players agreed to a salary cap and 24 percent salary rollback. (TWP)

Ovechkin confirmed that he will play for Russia's Kontinental Hockey League in the event of a lockout. Goaltender Michal Neuvirth, a native of the Czech Republic, may also play in Europe, and it wouldn't be surprising to see other Capitals make the jump overseas as well.

"I think guys are less nervous now than we were because there's an option for us," said Mike Ribeiro, one of four Capitals who was in the NHL when the 2004-05 lockout struck. "If they want to lock out, guys will find somewhere else to play and we'll keep playing. As players, we learned last time you can play other places and make a good living." (THE WASHINGTON POST)

Redskins Add A Longsnapper

The Redskins

The Redskins have decided to sign longsnapper Justin Snow, a person with knowledge of the situation said Tuesday. Snow would at least temporarily replace injured Nick Sundberg, who broke his arm Sunday.

Snow spent the previous 12 seasons with the Indianapolis Colts. He was among a group of long-snappers who worked out Tuesday at Redskins Park.

Sundberg played the second half of Sunday's season-opening win at New Orleans with a broken left arm but can't play with a cast on his arm. (THE WASHINGTON POST)



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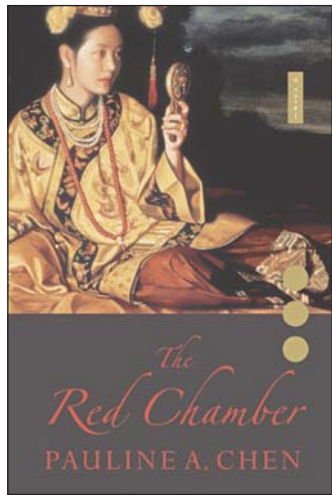
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PAULINE CHEN, AUTHOR OF *THE RED CHAMBER*

In Cao Xueqin's 18th century novel *A Dream of Red Mansions* (also known as *Dream of the Red Chamber*), a love triangle between a young man and his female cousins became China's own Romeo and Juliet. Today, it forms the basis of Pauline Chen's streamlined update of the classic story, which originally featured 400 characters over 2,500 pages.

Chen's *The Red Chamber* focuses on the passionate, free-spirited Lin Daiyu, who lives with her extended family at Rongguo Mansion after the death of her parents; and Xue Baochai, her well-behaved, intelligent cousin. Both vie for the hand of Jia Baoyu, the heir to the Jia family fortune.

"These two women represent the two ways that a Chinese woman can be," Chen said. "They are important archetypes. To me, this love triangle is very powerful, because in a way, these women represent a struggle for individualism in China.

"There aren't many love stories in Chinese literature, because at the time nearly all marriages were arranged. Even today, Chinese culture is still a culture where filial obligations are emphasized, so this idea of wild, romantic love really appeals to people."

Chen, who grew up in the United States, has a PhD in East Asian studies from Princeton. As a literature teacher, she became frustrated by the difficulty with which her American students approached *A Dream of Red Mansions*.

The book is too long, the cast of characters overwhelming. Additionally, the structure of the original does not follow Western conventions. There is no central conflict and the plot meanders in episodic turns. She decided to rewrite the book, in the hope of introducing the story to a wider audience.

"My feeling was that most Americans think of pre-modern China as being barbaric and that always bothered me," she said.

"It's not that simple. Yes, ancient Chinese society was oppressive for women, but it was also a

sophisticated and rich society, and a complicated one.

"I wanted to communicate those complexities. I also feel that many books about ancient China make you feel very distant from the characters. You feel that it has nothing to do with you. I wanted the reader to feel an affinity with these characters, and an understanding that our problems are universal."

Emily Wilson, a former student who took Chen's course on classic Chinese literature at Oberlin College in 2010, said that she found the original book overwhelming.

"Contemporary American literature, especially commercial literature, often does not attempt to encompass the complexities found in the original *A Dream of Red Mansions*," she said.

"But Professor Chen's incredible understanding of the original text allowed her to highlight more abstract thematic patterns. She also had a very nuanced understanding of the emotional motives of the various female protagonists."

The task of adapting this book in particular is a difficult one, said Daniel Youd, associate professor of Chinese language and literature at Beloit College in Wisconsin. Previous adaptations had faced high expectations, and had often fallen short. The latest attempt by Chinese author Liu Xinwu last year has met equal controversy.

"Ever since the original novel was written, people have not stopped reading and adapting it," he said. "Anyone who tries to remake the story is in good company, but is also running a very high risk because people are so attached to the story. It's very brave to attempt to retell this story."

American audiences are likely to have fewer expectations though, he said.

"In adapting the story for Chinese readers, one has to take into account deep levels of cultural expectation, because the characters are already so vividly ingrained in the Chinese imagination. But the objective with the American audience will be to introduce the characters, and I think Pauline does a great job of bridging the gap."

For Chen, the women are the

Between the lines

Literature teacher Pauline Chen has revised the classic tale *A Dream of Red Mansions* to make it more accessible to a new generation of Americans, **Kelly Chung Dawson** reports.



Characters from *A Dream of Red Mansions* such as Lin Daiyu (left) and Jia Baoyu are well known to most Chinese through the book itself and its many adaptations.

backbone of the book, she said. In addition to Lin and Xue, the powerful Wang Xifeng plays a central part in the story. Wang manages the finances of the house, lends money at interest and manipulates the people around her for personal gain.

"She was the prototype of a modern businesswoman," Chen said. "Before reading the book, I

had this idea that women in ancient China were powerless, but this character was extremely bold. All the female characters were so complex, and richly drawn. They were living in this complicated hierarchy with so many bonds and obligations.

"In some ways, for me, it really mirrored how a modern woman feels, dealing with children, a

career, aging parents and in-laws. I thought it was relevant to our lives today, and I loved the female characters."

Cao's depiction of women in the 18th century was unusual, Youd said. "The original novel exploded the myth of the completely passive Chinese female.

"It was a very interesting take on the role of women at the time, but

the problem with Wang was that she was demonized for asserting control. In many ways, that's still an open question for women in modern society both in China and the US. I can understand how women reading this story would feel a certain kinship to the female characters."

"Pauline's version is an optimistic take, in that despite all these barriers, one can imagine these women making happy lives for themselves."

In the original, the members of that love triangle accepted their fates, as decreed by their elders. This was deeply unsatisfying, Chen said.

"It really frustrated me as a Western reader," she said. "Romeo and Juliet did not say 'Oh, OK, fine.' They fought. I wanted to show these characters fighting for their love."

Chen was inspired by the American classic, *Gone with the Wind*. The two female characters are rivals for the male lead's love, but when one of the women dies the other realizes how much she has depended on her.

"I was fascinated by women who are rivals but ultimately share more with each other in that bond," she said. "I am interested in that conflict between friendship and romantic love."

She also drew inspiration in how Scarlett O'Hara is portrayed both sympathetically and unsympathetically, she said.

"So often female characters in literature are represented quite blandly. I wanted to show females who are strong, and not necessarily always likable. I didn't want to be afraid of people not liking my characters."

Qiushi Ma, an associate professor of Chinese at Oberlin College, said that readers should approach Chen's effort with an open mind.

"I consider Pauline's book to be a totally independent, literary creation inspired by the original," Ma said. "She is writing from a female perspective, and gives a more sophisticated explanation of the female characters. It's a bold creation inspired by the three women's stories."

Youd agreed: "Pauline does things that are different and new,

BRINGING US UP TO DATE

A Dream of Red Mansions has been adapted many times to keep it popular.

CCTV's 1987 soap opera remake was enormously successful; while a controversial 2010 version cast its actors in a reality TV show.

In 2011, Beijing-based writer Liu Xinwu added a more tragic ending that attempted to capture the spirit of the original, which was left unfinished when the Qing Dynasty (1644-1911) author Cao Xueqin died.

Most scholars believe the final 40 chapters to have been written by another Qing Dynasty scholar, Gao E.

Other updates have included comic books, video games and even a theme park.

"There is a feeling of propriety around the story," said Pauline Chen, whose new book, *The Red Chamber*, is the latest update of the classic novel. "I cannot exaggerate how important this book is in China. You say the names, and everyone knows what kind of person you're talking about."

KELLY CHUNG DAWSON

but at the same time it's like meeting old friends who live in a parallel alternate universe, where they do things that seem typical and expected, but are genuinely revelatory, in a new way."

Although Lin is the obvious frontrunner for Jia's love, Chen learned to root for the less popular Xue, she said.

"When I first started working on this, I thought, 'Go Daiyu.' and then as I wrote, I started feeling that each character made her own choices," she said.

"Every woman adopted a strategy for survival. The take away, for me, is to not envy other women. Each woman pays the price for what she gets — you might gain stability, but then you lose emotional freedom. If you want passion, then you might not have it forever."



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Mock the Vote
Nicki Minaj's Romney rap was not meant to be taken literally **31**

Inside Jokes



Life Is Not a Sitcom

When Amy Poehler and Will Arnett announced they were separating after nine years of marriage, reactions on the Internet tended toward "The World Is Ending" and "Love Is Dead #RIPLove."

For some people, the breakup of comedy's alpha couple is not to be



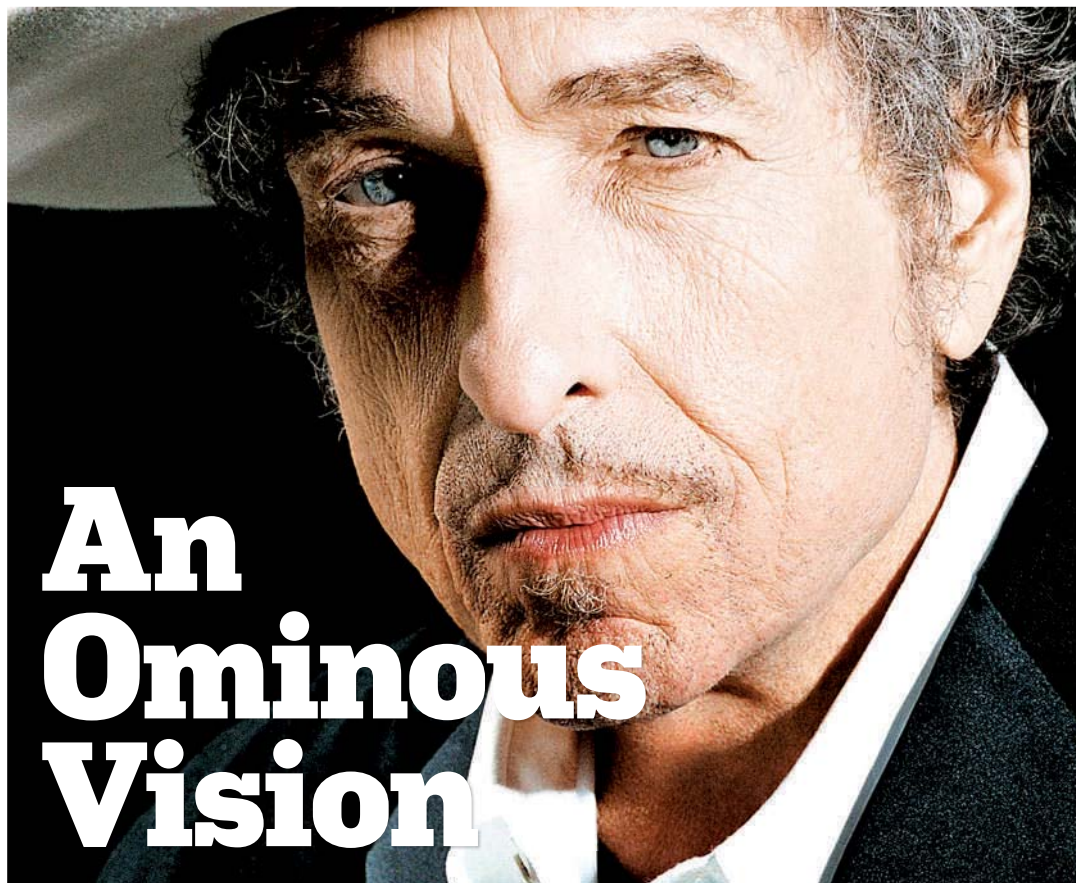
By Rudi Greenberg

taken lightly. Normally, I wouldn't use this space to speculate about anyone's personal life, but the Poehler/Arnett split is a unique situation. Can you remember a celebrity breakup that made fans this upset? When Tom Cruise and Katie Holmes divorced, it was an excuse to make a Scientology joke. Kim Kardashian's 72-day marriage to Kris Humphries was a punch line in itself.

This one's not so funny.

It's naive to assume a marriage can last simply because the couple are funny and frequently acted funny together on screen. We think that just because two individuals make each other laugh, nothing could go wrong. I'm guilty of this: I always imagined dinner at their house to be like a scene from the best sitcom ever. Unfortunately, these are real people dealing with real issues. No amount of laughter is going to change that.

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An Ominous Vision

Bob Dylan's weary pipes create an eerie intimacy on 'Tempest'

Album Review

For his 35th album, "Tempest," Bob Dylan wanted to write religious songs and ended up hopping a freight train to the apocalypse.

Couching images of end-times America in old-time American melodies, the 71-year-old has delivered his most compelling release in more than a decade. That's faint praise for anyone who gave up on Dylan after the Carter administration, sure, but find me another rock demigod crafting tunes this violent in their golden years. You can practically hear the guy tapping his toes in puddles of blood.

Before Dylanologists had heard a bloody note of it, it was the album's

title that made them gasp. "The Tempest" is considered William Shakespeare's swan song, which might mean that ...



Tempest
Bob Dylan

No, no. Dylan pointed out to Rolling Stone that Shakespeare's "Tempest" was preceded by the word "the." Dylan's "Tempest" is just "Tempest." Hadn't one of the greatest lyricists in American song taught us anything about attention to detail?

Regardless, that retirement-rumor kiboshing comes as a relief, because Dylan has found some fresh gravitas in his withering voice. His pipes sound more trashed than ever, so he pulls right up to our ears, making these sinister songs feel eerily intimate. The band keeps everything tender and mild while Dylan softly sneers something terrifying.

Listen for it on "Narrow Way," a nimble jump-blues number that sounds like it survived a nuclear winter. "This is hard country to stay alive in," Dylan rasps. "Blades are everywhere, and they're breaking my skin."

"Duquesne Whistle" employs a

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Backstory

Titanic Tracks

The title track of "Tempest" is a 15-minute elegy to the Titanic. The lyrics blend fact, fantasy and James Cameron: "Leo took his sketchbook/He was often so inclined/He closed his eyes and painted/The scenery in his mind." When comedian Tim Heidecker heard about it, he decided to record his own version of the song before the public could hear Dylan's. Sample lyric: "It went on to gross more than a movie ever had /For a flick about a shipwreck — that ain't bad." (TWP/EXPRESS)

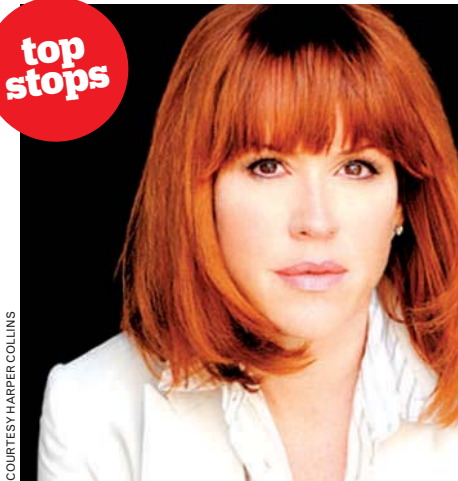
similar trick. It's a classic train song, its chirping steel guitars channeling hope and wanderlust. Dylan pushes so much wind through his throat that his voice starts to resemble the affectionate roar of Louis Armstrong. But instead of signaling the freedom of a fresh start, this train whistle is "blowing like the sky's gonna blow apart."

For a finale, Dylan changes the tone, taking a long and lovely leap across the decades with "Roll On, John," an ode to the late John Lennon. The song recounts the Beatle's dazzling rise and senseless end, all while slipping in lyrics from "A Day in the Life" and "Come Together."

Dylan doesn't growl through this one. He (somehow) clears his throat and delivers the album's most bittersweet melody with acute composure. He isn't singing about fresh wounds. This is a hero poem. He's casting Lennon in bronze, polishing a friend's myth while still working away at his own.

CHRIS RICHARDS (THE WASHINGTON POST)

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'X Factor's' New Tune

Britney Spears and Demi Lovato step up to judge singing talent

Competition

FOX 8:00 After a disappointing first season, "The X Factor" returns with two new judges. On one level, choosing Britney Spears and Demi Lovato makes a lot of sense. The audience for these showcases seems to be composed of teenage girls consumed with dreams of becoming big stars. And both judges were celebrities well before they hit 20.

Although Spears and Lovato stand in nicely as figures of tween wish fulfillment, they are also essentially competing for the role pioneered by Paula Abdul — that of



Britney Spears is the latest pop star tasked with judging would-be singers.

the flirtatious music industry has been clutching desperately to her second 15 minutes of fame.

In the 10-minute reel made for review, Spears does little to stand out. She wears black plastic glasses nicely and verges on happy tears when a 13-year-old ingenue belts out Nina Simone's "Feeling Good."

Lovato appears to embrace her Abdul-ness with gusto. She pokes fun at Cowell's remarks and his age and tells him he has bad breath. Like everything else about "X," her spunky "spontaneity" has a forced, rehearsed quality, perfectly suited to a packaged environment where past pop sounds are endlessly recycled and where the slightly threatening presence of youth and originality is all but outlawed.

KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNIVERSAL UCLICK)

Best Bets

USA 9:00



Royal Pains As Hank gets closer to Harper, he is once again drawn into Boris' mysterious world and must travel across the globe to help an injured Dmitry. Paige (Brooke D'Orsay, left) continues to deal with the fallout from the discovery of her family secret.

FOOD 9:00

Restaurant: Impossible Robert is in Burton, Mich., to help single mom Marina turn around her failing eatery, Palani's. The kitchen and dining room are a mess, and, worst of all, Marina can't understand what role she's played in the decline of the business. Robert must use every penny of his \$10,000 budget to make a change.

PBS 9:00

Great Performances at the Met In "Die Walkure" (The Valkyrie), the mysterious hero Siegmund (Jonas Kaufmann, right) finds shelter in the strangely familiar arms of a lonely woman named Sieglinde (Eva-Maria Westbroek, far right).



A&E 10:00

American Hoggars Now that the family business is back on track, Jerry is eager to snag a big contract from a car dealer, but he's distressed to discover that another hogging operation has also been called in on the job. Krystal suffers an injury that could jeopardize the Campbells' chances of getting the gig. (TRIBUNE MEDIA)



'Idol' Update

Musical Chairs

Randy Jackson, below, will return as a judge for "American Idol's" 12th season despite rumors that his role would be reduced. The Hollywood Reporter says Jackson will stay on after negotiations with Enrique Iglesias broke down. Mariah Carey is the only other judge confirmed to join Jackson when the competition premieres on Fox in January. Nicki Minaj and Keith Urban are in talks for the other two seats. (EXPRESS)

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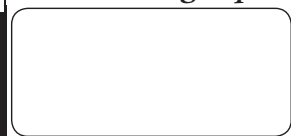
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Blog Log



“We’re sure the lengthy rollout this week had everything to do with a huge pool of talent, and nothing to do with the Wednesday night premiere of The X Factor. Nope – The X Factor had nothing to do with it at all.”

— **CAILA BAIL AT IDOLATOR.COM** sees right through NBC’s scheme of trying to stay more relevant than Fox when it comes to talent shows.

“It looks [like] 9/11 is going to join SXSW, Mad Men and Breaking Bad on my tweetdeck block list.”

— **@UPSETTHESETUP** finds that certain topics can feel overdone on the social networking site.

“The Sean Connery fist pump trumps all other fist pumps.”

— **@WORLDOFISAAC** was a big fan of the Scottish actor’s stamp of approval after his countryman Andy Murray won the first set on his way to winning the 2012 U.S. Open Championship on Monday.

“Take advantage of this time to find out which ones of your friends use GoDaddy in order to ridicule them. You can start with ridiculing me.”

— **DEAN PUTNEY AT BOINGBOING.NET** made fun of himself after an Anonymous member claimed responsibility for an attack that took down one of the world’s largest website hosts.

“If it takes a year to figure out that someone is stealing from campaign, there are two problems: thief and candidate.”

— **@CHUCKTHIES** reacts to news that D.C. Council member Michael A. Brown reported late Monday that more than \$100,000 went missing from his campaign treasury this summer.

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Horoscope

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You may feel for a time as if you're simply being a pawn in someone else's plan — but you'll have much to contribute later.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You're expecting someone else to give you direction today, but you'll be expected to come up with ideas of your own as well.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You may be in need of a road map of sorts today, and the information you most desire will come from an unexpected source.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) You may be onto something big, but you'll quickly discover that you can't get it all done on your own. A friend wants to help!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You may feel far from those you call your own today — and yet there is no real distance between you and them. Or is there?

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You will have a friend or loved one to thank for giving you an opportunity you have long awaited. It's time to spring into action.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Putting your best foot forward usually comes quite naturally, but today it may seem as though you can't quite figure out what to do.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) When things go a little awry, avoid any kind of overreaction and know that this is not something that will last very long at all.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You may have to split your focus among three — maybe four — endeavors that are demanding a great deal of attention.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You may encounter a technical difficulty that disrupts your schedule and makes it impossible to satisfy everyone's needs as planned.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You can get more than one thing started today — but take care that you don't bite off more than you can chew. Expectations must be realistic.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You want to be around when the experts start strutting their stuff. You can surely learn a great deal, even from the sidelines.

Scrabble Grams

PAR SCORE 140-150, BEST SCORE 213

I ₁	O ₁	O ₁	L ₁	M ₃	T ₁	N ₁

A ₁	U ₁	C ₃	T ₁	M ₃	N ₁	T ₁

I ₁	O ₁	U ₁	M ₃	T ₁	S ₁	W ₄

I ₁	O ₁	O ₁	L ₁	S ₁	S ₁	T ₁

1st Letter
DoubleTriple
Word Score

RACK 1

RACK 2

RACK 3

RACK 4

Yesterday's Solution

T ₁	H ₄	R ₁	I ₁	V ₄	E ₁		RACK 1 =	12
A ₁	L ₁	L ₁	E ₁	G ₂	R ₁	O ₁	RACK 2 =	59
C ₃	O ₁	M ₃	M ₃	U ₁	T ₁	E ₁	RACK 3 =	63
H ₄	A ₁	T ₁	R ₁	A ₁	C ₃	K ₅	RACK 4 =	98
PAR SCORE 145-155								TOTAL
								232

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	6							
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		3	5					2
	5	1	3				7	

Yesterday's Solution

1	9	4	5	6	8	3	2	7
7	8	5	9	2	3	4	6	1
6	3	2	7	1	4	5	9	8
4	7	6	2	5	9	1	8	3
5	2	8	6	3	1	9	7	4
3	1	9	4	8	7	2	5	6
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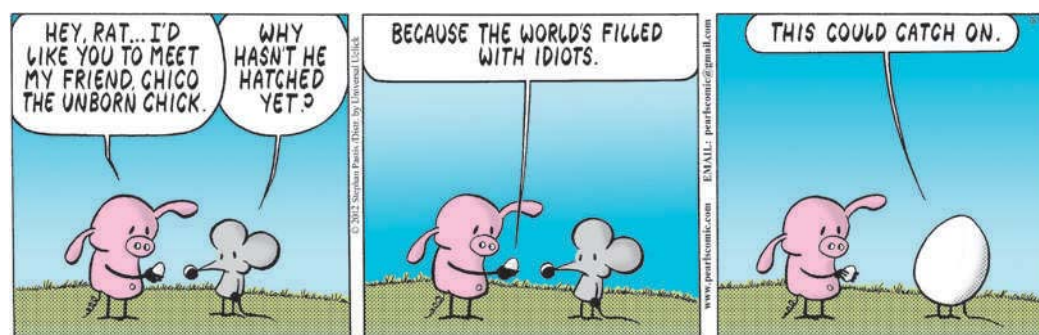
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Comics

POOCH CAFE | PAUL GILLIGAN



PEARLS BEFORE SWINE | STEPHAN PASTIS



Forecast

83 60

Today: Nice today with plenty of sunshine. Clear tonight.

85 64

Tomorrow: Pleasant tomorrow with plenty of sunshine. Clear tomorrow night.

Looking Ahead

FRI	SAT	SUN
85	66	84
68	81	64

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today: 6:47 a.m.
Sunset today: 7:21 p.m.
Moonrise today: 3:03 a.m.
Moonset today: 5:05 p.m.

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Crossword

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ACROSS

- 1 Nile reptiles
- 5 Semitransparent stones
- 10 Movie's storyline
- 14 Six years, for a senator
- 15 Wine variety
- 16 Top-rated
- 17 Cookie in ice cream, often
- 18 Phonograph needles
- 19 Mythical birds
- 20 Halloween disguises
- 22 Old-school snacks
- 24 Add spices to
- 27 Proclaim profanely
- 28 "Honest" president Lincoln
- 30 Aired as it happens
- 31 Cow that hasn't had a cow
- 34 Had no catching up to do
- 35 Not kosher
- 36 Retail establishment
- 37 Flute in a march
- 39 "The ___ of Kilimanjaro"
- 42 Diving eagles
- 43 Severe suffering
- 45 Pied Piper's pack
- 47 Even the score
- 48 Tennis match starters
- 50 One way to ring
- 51 Soak timber
- 52 Venus de ___
- 53 It develops into a fetus
- 55 Desert stinger
- 58 Longstanding quarrels
- 61 So-called kissing disease, familiarly
- 62 Olympic logo shapes
- 65 Panama and Costa Rica do it
- 66 Genesis paradise
- 67 Poet who inspired the musical "Cats"
- 68 Fizz flavoring
- 69 Partner of means
- 70 Montaigne's writing form
- 71 Put a toe in the water

DOWN

- 1 Basic unit for the

1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8	9		10	11	12	13
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66					67						68			
69					70						71			

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elements

- 2 Evening, in Roma
- 3 In desperate need of cash
- 4 "Mirrors" companion
- 5 Photo ___ (publicity events)
- 6 Place for an orchestra
- 7 Question for the courts?
- 8 Title "girl" in a Kinks hit
- 9 Part of a baseball's seam
- 10 Mooch
- 11 Is up to no good
- 12 In the old days
- 13 Hardy woman
- 21 Bad thing to put in a wound
- 23 Actor's prompts
- 25 Business letter

greeting

- 26 Chamber to bake in
- 28 Code words for "A"
- 29 Light brown
- 32 "Sesame Street" regular
- 33 Bowling alley button
- 38 Vicinity
- 40 Not too hot
- 41 Returned part of a theater ticket
- 44 Anguished canine cry
- 46 Peasant who is bound to work
- 49 Evening reception
- 54 Fermentation starter
- 55 Eurasian diving duck
- 56 Closing musical passage
- 57 Olive and canola

59 Smallest teams


- 60 Editor's mark
- 63 ___ few rounds (box)
- 64 Where boards board

Yesterday's Solution

S	H	A	H		L	I	M	P	S		A	W	E	D
O	T	A			A	D	I	E	U		B	O	R	E
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Today in History

- 1846** Elizabeth Barrett secretly marries Robert Browning at St. Marylebone Church in London.
- 1943** German paratroopers take Benito Mussolini from the hotel where he was being held by the Italian government.
- 1974** Emperor Haile Selassie is deposed by Ethiopia's military after ruling for 58 years.

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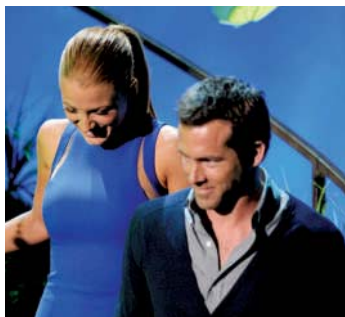
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**CASTING****Miley Cyrus Auditions For Lindsay Lohan Biopic**

Miley Cyrus is being investigated in a criminal battery case after a man filed a report with Los Angeles police saying she had assaulted him early Sunday morning, E! News reported. The man said that he, Cyrus and her fiancé, Liam Hemsworth, got into an argument and that Cyrus pushed him and hit him in the face. The man was not visibly injured, police said. (EXPRESS)

PRODUCTS**You, Too, Can Buy the Lively-Reynolds Wedding**

A team of Martha Stewart employees planned Blake Lively and Ryan Reynolds' Charleston, S.C., wedding, Martha Stewart Weddings reported. "From the heartfelt ceremony to the fun-filled carnival hour and elegant reception, it was a truly enchanting celebration," a release from the magazine said, promising more coverage in the December issue. (EXPRESS)



Coming in December: how to keep your employees from leaking information.

Victims**Oh, That Amanda. She's Incurable!**

Amanda Bynes was pulled over by police on Sunday night in Los Angeles for driving without her headlights on, E! News reported — even though her driver's license was suspended last week. She was given a warning and allowed to go; a source told E! that the cop didn't run her license. Police can retroactively cite her, however. (EXPRESS)



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RETRACTIONS**Romney Relieved**

Nicki Minaj confirmed Monday via Twitter that she did not endorse Mitt Romney in a recent rap. (The lyric in question: "I'm a Republican voting for Mitt Romney.") She says she was taking literary license when she referenced the Republican nominee for president. Some took her words to mean she was backing President Barack Obama's opponent. In her tweet, Minaj thanked Obama for understanding "my creative humor and sarcasm," then noted: "the smart ones always do." (AP)

**ONTOLOGY****She IS Real ... in the Sense That She Exists, Anyway**

RuPaul is a huge fan of "Here Comes Honey Boo Boo," the "Toddlers & Tiaras" spin-off starring Alana Thompson. RuPaul told E! News last week that he wants to do a duet with her on his next album: "She is real. She is lovely. She's funny. She doesn't take herself seriously. The whole family doesn't take themselves seriously. It's really just good fun." (EXPRESS)

"I didn't even know she had a boyfriend until someone told me after I said I had a crush on her."



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